

**Lake Charter Township Planning Commission Meeting
November 7, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman John Murphy called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Board members present were: Chair John Murphy, John Wilk, Gaylord Rochefort, and William Geukes

Absent: Christin Rice

Zoning Administrator Jim Gast also attended.

Newly elected Township Board Member Nancy Mensinger

Township Attorney Scott Dienes

Motion to have Nancy Mensinger take the minutes was made by John Murphy, and seconded by Gaylord Rochefort.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda, was made by Gaylord Rochefort; second by: William Geukes, all ayes, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the October 3, 2016 minutes was made by John Wilk; second by: William Geukes, all ayes, motion carried.

TOWNSHIP BOARD REPORT

1. Water Department pumped 61.9 Million Gallons in September Compared to 65.6 Million Gallons pumped in September of 2015.
2. Cemetery had 2 cremations in the past month.
3. Building Department issued 4 new home building permits.
4. Fire department had 25 calls in the past month; 18 were medical.
5. Fire Fighter Amanda L. Mastin was hired for the fire department.
6. Set a re-zoning request to the Planning Commission, Res-Ag to C1 Commercial for 11990 s. Hildebrandt Road (10.89 acres/vacant) between I=94 and Red Arrow Hwy.
7. Approved the posting of (No Hunting) signs on the park property.
8. Approved GRSDA bond re-funding resolution.

ZBA REPORT – John Wilk reported:

The ZBA will meet on November 9, 2016.

Chairman John Murphy greeted those in attendance and read the rules on the back of the agenda.

OLD BUSINESS

1. None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Review of petition to rezone property from Res/Ag to C-1 Commercial on parcel with tax ID # 11-11-0136-0028-0-3
 - a. Motion to approve the application for re-zoning was made by Gaylord Rochefort, seconded by William Geukes, all ayes, motion carried.
2. Township Attorney Dienes review of By-laws

- a. Attorney Dienes stated that he did not like the look of the reprinted by-laws, stating that he will have a new copy to sign. He will need more time to have it looking better and hoped to have it by Wednesday November 9th to John Murphy.
- b. Motion to approved the by-laws with the corrections was made by John Wilk, seconded by William Geukes, all ayes, motion carried.
- c. Attorney Dienes informed the board to do more on the steps for the Special Land Use. The steps need to be written out.
- d. Attorney Dienes will be giving a seminar on November 14 at the Lake Charter Township hall on the new Medical Marijuana bills for treasurers and clerks.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jim Gast presented the members with two items: one on the Marijuana bill and the other the sign regulations and ordinances. Discussion followed and Attorney Dienes will make a recommendation to the board on how to proceed.

REVIEW MAIN POINTS OF PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING –

ADJOURN –Motion by William Geukes, seconded by John Wilk to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Christin Rice - Secretary

Date